

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 727 - HB 715

February 8, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the coroner or county medical examiner to direct the cremation of an unclaimed dead body.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Under current law, burial is the only authorized method for disposal of an unclaimed body.
- According to a 2011 limited survey of Davidson County funeral homes, any decrease in expenditures realized, should a coroner or county medical examiner choose to cremate an unclaimed dead body, will not be significant.
- Based on information provided by the Comptroller of the Treasury in 2011, any estimated decrease in local government expenditures experienced as the result of a coroner or county medical examiner choosing to cremate the remains of an unclaimed dead body will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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